

Testimony of Sally Kim
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NOT IN SUPPORT OF HB 4042
Before the House Law and Justice Committee
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I urge members of the Law and Justice Committee not to support House Bill 4042.

I oppose HB 4042 because I think it would be bad for Michigan drivers and residents. As you probably know, Michigan is big. Detroit, my city, is a big city. It's a driving city. It's very difficult to get to work or anywhere without a car. To have a semi-decently paying job, many Detroiters, like myself, have to drive to get to it. Sometimes outside of city limits. A car is not really a luxury in Detroit, it's a necessity. However, with prohibitively expensive car insurance and restrictive laws who can even get a license in Michigan, means that many Michiganders are driving without a license and no insurance.

Punishing us drivers who drive without a license at times and no insurance, is not the answer. We need you, our legislators, to figure out a way that will make insurance and accessible affordable for all drivers. Pease make it easy, not hard, for people to be trained on safe driving, to get tested, be licensed, and be insured. Right now, our state makes it way too difficult. And that negatively impacts everyone.

Therefore, I urge the Law & Justice Committee to not support HB 4042. Rather, I ask our elected representatives and this Committee to come up with a real solution, one that supports opportunities for all drivers in Michigan to get access to drivers licenses and affordable insurance, so that roads are safe for all Michiganders.

Sincerely,

Sally Kim